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January 29, 1999

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of Madison Gas and Electric Company for
Authority to Issue and Have Outstanding Short-term Notes
and Commercial Paper Not to Exceed \$55,000,000

3270-SB-118

**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING,
INVESTIGATION AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS**

THIS IS A PROCEEDING TO, consider the December 30, 1998, application of Madison Gas and Electric Company (MGE) for authority, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 200.03, to issue and have outstanding short-term indebtedness which at times will exceed 5 percent of the par value of outstanding securities, but which would not exceed \$55,000,000 principal amount. Anyone objecting to the proposed issuance must file a request for hearing with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) within ten days of this notice.

The Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

This is a Type III action under Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 4.10(3). Since no unusual circumstances have come to the attention of the Commission which indicate that significant environmental consequences are likely, neither an environmental impact statement under Wis. Stat. § 1.11 nor an environmental assessment is required.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to get this document in a different format should contact the case coordinator listed below.

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Questions regarding this matter may be directed to case coordinator Lois J. Hubert at (608) 267-2210.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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